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 The Administrator, Federal Energy Administration
 The Executive Director, Council on
 International Economic Policy

SUBJECT: COCOM Position on the Return of Depleted
 Uranium (Tails) from the USSR (NSDM 275)

REF: NSC-U/DM-118A

The President has reviewed the report of the
Under Secretaries Committee on Tails Disposition.
A copy of the President's decision is hereby
forwarded for your guidance.

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Staff Director

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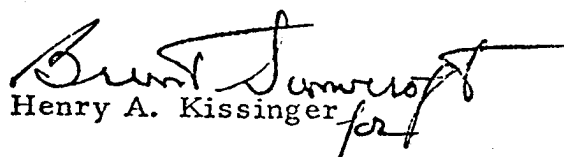
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The President has reviewed the report of the Under Secretaries Committee on Tails Disposition and has noted agency views. The President has decided that we should seek to maintain our position in COCOM requiring the return of tails. If significant opposition develops in COCOM, however, we should reexamine our position with a view to finding an acceptable compromise. The President authorizes a compromise requiring the return only of tails above 0.2 percent uranium-235 content. If a satisfactory compromise cannot be achieved, the options for a revised U.S. position should be submitted to the President for his decision.

In view of the importance of securing the cooperation of other nuclear suppliers in implementing our non-proliferation strategy, we should maintain a cooperative atmosphere vis-a-vis nuclear matters within COCOM.

The Department of State should inform the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy and other interested Congressional committees in advance of the approach being taken in COCOM and any changes that may prove necessary.


Henry A. Kissinger for

cc: Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
Executive Director, Council on International
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